

# **State of Alaska FY2005 Governor's Operating Budget**

## **Department of Health and Social Services Quality Control Component Budget Summary**

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## Component: Quality Control

### Contribution to Department's Mission

Federally-mandated auditing unit for Medicaid and Food Stamps; audits state-funded public assistance programs; federally-mandated processing of the Internal Revenue Service interface and Disqualified Recipient System.

### Core Services

Quality Control is a federally-mandated activity for the Food Stamp and Medicaid programs. The purpose is to gather information designed to determine the accuracy of eligibility and benefit determinations. The unit also samples Temporary Assistance benefits and other state-funded public assistance programs to assess the effectiveness of state policies, payment accuracy, and data not available from the automated system.

Each month, Quality Assessment staff randomly sample and review cases for each public assistance program. Staff analyzes results of these reviews to determine the agency's success in meeting the agency's mission and desired outcomes. In addition, the Temporary Assistance (ATAP) and childcare samples gather detailed disaggregated information on families and children.

### FY2005 Resources Allocated to Achieve Results

<b>FY2005 Component Budget: \$1,099,500</b>	<b>Personnel:</b>	
	Full time	13
	Part time	0
	<b>Total</b>	<b>13</b>

### Key Component Challenges

High Food Stamp payment error rates caused the USDA to levy penalties for federal Fiscal Years 1997-2002. One method of paying penalties is through a state funded Reinvestment Plan. Quality Control plays an active role in implementing and monitoring the Plan. The department entered into settlements with USDA, Food and Nutrition Service to repay the Food Stamp error rate penalties by investing unmatched state dollars in activities aimed to improve our payment accuracy.

Medicaid and Food Stamp programs mandate a random selection of cases from the monthly caseload. As these caseloads increase, so do the number of cases selected for the audit process. First priority is to meet these federal requirements, and the increasing mandated number of reviews reduces the staff time available to conduct state-funded program reviews or special evaluation projects.

### Significant Changes in Results to be Delivered in FY2005

No major changes in services anticipated.

### Major Component Accomplishments in 2003

- QA reviewers completed 644 Food Stamp reviews for the October 2002 through September 2003 Federal Fiscal Year review period.
- QA reviewers completed 423 Temporary Assistance reviews for July 2002 through June 2003.
- QA reviewers completed 311 Medicaid reviews for FFY2002.
- QA Lite reviews completed 937 reviews statewide for the Food Stamp Reinvestment Plan during FFY2003.
- All reporting was completed in advance of federal deadlines during FFY2003.

- Timely processed all IRS interface information, approximately 400 per month, as federally mandated.

### Statutory and Regulatory Authority

7 CFR 275.10 Food Stamp Quality Control

45 CFR 431.800 MED Quality Control

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### Quality Control Component Financial Summary

*All dollars shown in thousands*

	FY2003 Actuals	FY2004 Authorized	FY2005 Governor
<b>Non-Formula Program:</b>			
<b>Component Expenditures:</b>			
71000 Personal Services	826.5	927.1	933.9
72000 Travel	99.4	31.2	9.3
73000 Contractual	76.6	136.7	149.9
74000 Supplies	6.3	5.6	5.6
75000 Equipment	0.0	0.8	0.8
76000 Land/Buildings	0.0	0.0	0.0
77000 Grants, Claims	0.0	0.0	0.0
78000 Miscellaneous	0.0	0.0	0.0
<b>Expenditure Totals</b>	<b>1,008.8</b>	<b>1,101.4</b>	<b>1,099.5</b>
<b>Funding Sources:</b>			
1002 Federal Receipts	432.0	514.7	529.9
1003 General Fund Match	480.8	486.7	509.6
1004 General Fund Receipts	96.0	100.0	60.0
<b>Funding Totals</b>	<b>1,008.8</b>	<b>1,101.4</b>	<b>1,099.5</b>

### Estimated Revenue Collections

Description	Master Revenue Account	FY2003 Actuals	FY2004 Authorized	FY2005 Governor
<b><u>Unrestricted Revenues</u></b>				
None.		0.0	0.0	0.0
<b>Unrestricted Total</b>		<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>
<b><u>Restricted Revenues</u></b>				
Federal Receipts	51010	432.0	514.7	529.9
<b>Restricted Total</b>		<b>432.0</b>	<b>514.7</b>	<b>529.9</b>
<b>Total Estimated Revenues</b>		<b>432.0</b>	<b>514.7</b>	<b>529.9</b>

**Summary of Component Budget Changes  
From FY2004 Authorized to FY2005 Governor**

*All dollars shown in thousands*

	<u>General Funds</u>	<u>Federal Funds</u>	<u>Other Funds</u>	<u>Total Funds</u>
<b>FY2004 Authorized</b>	<b>586.7</b>	<b>514.7</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>1,101.4</b>
<b>Adjustments which will continue current level of service:</b>				
-Quality Control Component share of EPR charges from Information Technology Services Component	6.7	6.5	0.0	13.2
-Changes to Retirement and Other Personal Services Rates	17.7	17.7	0.0	35.4
<b>Proposed budget decreases:</b>				
-Department-wide travel reduction	-12.9	-9.0	0.0	-21.9
-Delete vacant position	-28.6	0.0	0.0	-28.6
<b>FY2005 Governor</b>	<b>569.6</b>	<b>529.9</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>1,099.5</b>

**Quality Control  
Personal Services Information**

<b>Authorized Positions</b>			<b>Personal Services Costs</b>	
	<b>FY2004 Authorized</b>	<b>FY2005 Governor</b>		
Full-time	14	13	Annual Salaries	681,067
Part-time	0	0	Premium Pay	0
Nonpermanent	0	0	Annual Benefits	291,640
			<i>Less 3.99% Vacancy Factor</i>	(38,807)
			Lump Sum Premium Pay	0
<b>Totals</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>Total Personal Services</b>	<b>933,900</b>

**Position Classification Summary**

<b>Job Class Title</b>	<b>Anchorage</b>	<b>Fairbanks</b>	<b>Juneau</b>	<b>Others</b>	<b>Total</b>
Elig Qual Cntrl Tech I	7	2	1	0	10
Elig Qual Cntrl Tech II	1	0	0	0	1
Public Asst Prog Off	0	0	1	0	1
Research Analyst III	0	0	1	0	1
<b>Totals</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>13</b>